# READERS THEATER

## Jesus Feeds Five Thousand

**Matthew 14:13–21**

Roles: Narrator 1, Narrator 2, Narrator 3,
Disciple 1, Disciple 2, Jesus

*The Liturgical Year helps us remember Jesus' life. In this story we hear about the many people who came to see Jesus. He healed the sick and fed everyone with just five loaves of bread and two fish.*

**Narrator 1:** Jesus heard that John the Baptist had died.
John was the cousin of Jesus.

**Narrator 2:** Jesus went to a place where he could be alone.

**Narrator 3:** But people found out where he was and came to see him.

**Narrator 1:** His heart was filled with love for the people.
He cured those who were sick.

**Narrator 2:** The people stayed with Jesus for a long time.
It was getting late in the day.

**Disciple 1:** Jesus, tell the people to go home. It is getting late.

**Disciple 2:** The people are hungry. There is no food here for everyone.

**Jesus:** "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves" (Matthew 14:16).

**Disciple 1:** "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here."
(Matthew 14:17)

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**Jesus:** Bring them here to me."
(Matthew 14:18)

**Narrator 2:** Jesus took the five loaves of bread and the two fish. He said a prayer to his Father in heaven.

**Jesus:** Give the food to the people to eat.

**Disciple 2:** There is enough for everyone!

**Narrator 1:** Everyone had bread and fish to eat. No one was hungry that day.

**Narrator 2:** The people who came to see Jesus were fed.

**Narrator 3:** There were more than five thousand men, women, and children there!

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